

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

CHENG ET AL.

APPLICATION NO: 16/080,965  
Division of Application Serial No. 09/812,960 Filed March 20, 2001

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FOR: SUBSTITUTED ACID DERIVATIVES USEFUL AS ANTIDIABETIC AND ANTI-OBESITY AGENTS AND METHOD

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231PREEXAMINATION AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application to read as follows.

In the Specification:

Page 1, line 4, after "this" and before "is", please insert -- is a division of U.S. application  
Serial No. 09/812,960 filed March 20, 2001; which --  
line 5, after "2000" and before "which", please insert --, now abandoned, --.

In the Claims:

Please cancel Claims 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 16, 18 to 32, 36, 38, 41 to 49 and 51 to 54.

Please amend Claims 1, 2, 10, 14, 15, 17, 34, 39, 40 and 50 to read as follows.

--1. (Amended) A compound which has the structure

